

# County of Los Angeles Department of Animal Care and Control

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June 08, 2016

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ADOPTED** 

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

37 June 8, 2016

LORI GLASGOW EXECUTIVE OFFICER

ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION OF \$64,150 FROM
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY ANIMAL CARE FOUNDATION
TO OFFSET REDUCED DOG AND RABBIT ADOPTION FEES
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3-VOTES)

#### SUBJECT

Request approval to accept a donation of \$64,150 from the Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation (Foundation) to offset the adoption costs for dogs and rabbits during a three-month pilot period from December 15, 2015 through March 15, 2016.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Accept the donation of \$64,150 to offset reduced adoption pricing for dogs and rabbits for the pilot program held from December 15, 2015 through March 15, 2016.
- 2. Instruct your Board to prepare and send a letter of appreciation to the Foundation for their generous donation.

## PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On October 20, 2015, a motion by Mayor Antonovich and Supervisor Kuehl instructed the Director of Animal Care and Control (Department) and the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to report back to the Board on (1) identifying a three-month period of time in 2015 to determine how many dog adoptions took place; (2) identifying a comparable three-month period in 2016 for purposes of conducting a pilot program of subsidized adoptions to determine whether the number of adoptions increased from the previous year; and (3) determining the cost of subsidizing such adoptions and identifying funding

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sources to sustain the program.

As part of this pilot program, the Department received a donation in the amount of \$64,150 from the Foundation to offset the costs to subsidize the pilot program.

## **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The acceptance of the donation by the Department will support the strategic plan goal of operational effectiveness and fiscal sustainability (Goal 1) by replenishing the Department's reduced revenue from reduced dog and rabbit adoption fees.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The donation reimburses the Department for the adoption costs for dogs and rabbits during the three-month pilot program, allowing the Department to maintain its normal revenue stream.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Government Code Section 25355 permits the County to accept donations or other gifts for a specific County purpose. Section 2.4.2 of the County Fiscal Manual authorizes County departments to accept donations in excess of \$10,000 with Board approval.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The donation of money to offset the reduced dog and rabbit adoption costs allows the Department to recover the revenue stream for this pilot project, thereby allowing the Department to have no negative financial impact for conducting the pilot program.

## **CONCLUSION**

Upon Board approval, the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, is requested to send a letter thanking the Foundation for its generous donation. A draft appreciation letter is enclosed. Also, please return one adopted stamped Board letter to the Department of Animal Care and Control.

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Respectfully submitted,



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Director

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**Enclosures** 

c: Chief Executive Office County Counsel Executive Office, Board of Supervisors

## (DATE)

Mr. John Gonzales Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation P.O. Box 100515 Pasadena, CA 91189

Dear Mr. Gonzales:

At its meeting of June 8, 2016, the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors accepted, with thanks, the generous donation of \$64,150 to offset the adoption costs for dogs and rabbits during a three-month pilot period.

The Board members requested that I express their appreciation to you for this generous donation.

Very Truly Yours,

LORI GLASGOW Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors